

MEASURE AFFECTS TRUST COMPANIES

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BILL OF SENATOR MATTHEWS.

He Says He Believes That Trust Companies Are Driving Small Dealers and Lawyers Out of Business.

Jefferson City, Mo., Jan. 21.—Senator Matthews of St. Louis County introduced a bill in the upper branch of the General Assembly today at the trust companies.

In brief, it amends the law by prohibiting trust companies from buying and selling real estate and from acting as executors of wills. As the trust companies draw a great part of their revenue from this source under the present statute, it is not probable that they will see this privilege taken away from them without a hard fight for recognition.

The Matthews bill, which was read for the first time today, strikes out in its section 22, Revised Statutes of 1892, between the word "act" in line 26 and the word "for" which were used for the second time in line 29. This clause relates to real estate and permits trust companies to act "as agent or attorney in the management and control of real or personal property and the sale or conveyance of the same and for the investment of money."

The other clauses which are stricken out read as follows:

"To accept from and exercise trusts for married women in respect to their separate property, whether real or personal, and to act as agent for them in the management of such property, and generally, to exercise such powers as are usually had and exercised by trust companies. Sixth, to act as executor of the last will of any deceased administrator of the estate of any deceased person."

It would seem by this statement that women would save time and much sickness if they would get Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound at once, and also write to Mrs. Pinkham at Lynn, Mass., for special advice. It is free and always helps. No other person can give such helpful advice as Mrs. Pinkham to women who are sick.

ARE PROBATIONARIES BEHIND POLICE BILL?

Origin of Measure Introduced by Senator Farris Wrapped in Mystery.

BIG EXPENSE FOR THE CITY.

Should Probationary Patrolmen Be Promoted in the Manner Proposed It Will Cost About \$100,000 Annually.

The bill affecting probationary patrolmen of the St. Louis police force, introduced into the Missouri General Assembly by Senator Frank Farris, is receiving general comment here, not only because of its provisions, but because of the influence behind the measure.

The measure proposes that probationary patrolmen who have served two consecutive years on the force shall be promoted to the rank of patrolman and that their salary shall be increased from \$55 to \$60 a month. Harry B. Hawes, president of the Board of Police Commissioners, in discussing the measure, states that the origin of the bill seems to be wrapped in mystery. Mr. Hawes declares that if the measure should become a law it would incur an increased expenditure of \$100,000 to \$150,000 a year.

The Police Board has not yet discussed the matter, but it is understood that the bill will be taken up probably at the next meeting, and it is quite likely that the passage of the measure will be strenuously opposed.

SENATOR FARRIS EXPLAINS BILL.

Legislation Says the Movement Is Simply in Favor of Probationaries.

Jefferson City, Mo., Jan. 21.—Senator Frank Farris today introduced the bill giving St. Louis probationary patrolmen \$60 a month salary after two years' service, explaining the law as a movement in favor of a large number of probationary officers who have not been promoted during the last three or four years.

"This measure is right and proper," Senator Farris said this afternoon. "The Police Board has a habit of putting men on the force and then making them regular patrolmen or probationary officers who have been serving for three or four years. No one is responsible for the introduction of the bill, though every one of the St. Louis delegation with whom I have talked is in favor of the proposition. I did not confer with the police authorities of the St. Louis regarding the measure, but simply wish to correct what I think is an injustice."

It is said that Senators Collins, Schoenlaub and one of two of their friends are assisting in pushing the bill. They are not known as particular friends of the present Police Board.

CONCERNING JAPANESE EXHIBIT

World's Fair Commissioner Kiuchi Talks to President.

Washington, Jan. 21.—Count Matsui, first secretary to the Japanese Legation, today called on the President to-day Mr. Kiuchi, the Special Commissioner of the Japanese Government to the St. Louis World's Fair, who is in Washington to consult the Minister of Japan regarding the exhibit to be made by their Government at the Exposition.

REPUBLICAN CAUCUS A DEADLOCK.

Topeka, Kas., Jan. 21.—The Republican senatorial caucus adjourned tonight without a nomination. The caucus was held with 40 votes; Curtis, 25; Stanley, 23; Caldwell, 15, and Bowersock, 8. The Stanley and Long men forced a adjournment after the third ballot. This means the nomination of Long to-morrow night, as the Stanley men will go to Long.

CLEVER BOY

Took the Teacher's Food.

Careful observation on the part of parents and school authorities as to proper food is leading to a healthy generation.

"I had a Philadelphia, Pa., school says: 'I had a severe attack of typhoid fever, after which I was very weak and delicate and I could not attend school regular. One day our teacher, who is a great student and able teacher, gave a lesson in physiology. In which proper food was discussed. She recommended Grape-Nuts to the class, as she had used the food a long while and watched results. 'I thought that if Grape-Nuts had enabled her to teach me, I should be a boy as she taught us. The food would do me good in my weak state and I commenced eating it. 'I have used Grape-Nuts steadily for over a year, am a little past 15 years old, and now measure 5 feet 8 inches, weigh 135 pounds and am strong and well having entirely recovered from my weak and delicate condition. I am very fond of athletics and join actively in all the sports in our vicinity. I can truthfully say that Grape-Nuts is just the food for me and has built me up into a strong, active boy.' Name given by Postum Cereal Co., Ltd., Battle Creek, Mich."

LEONARD ROEDER CELEBRATED HUNDRED AND THIRD BIRTHDAY.

Resident of Quincy, Ill., Served Under Blucher—English Language Slips From His Mind—Still Able to Greet Friends in His Native German Tongue.

Quincy, Ill., Jan. 21.—Leonard Roeder, who claims to be the oldest citizen of the State of Illinois and the Middle West, today celebrated his one hundred and third birthday.

Notwithstanding his great age he met a number of citizens, although his family refused admittance to many who called out of mere curiosity.

Roeder was born in Wurtemberg, Germany, January 21, 1800, and before he was 15 years old joined the army under General Blucher. While he did not participate in the battle of Waterloo, he remembers distinctly seeing the Duke of Wellington.

He has changed but slightly during the last year. While he has lost the sight of one eye, the other is still keen enough for all ordinary purposes.

His hearing is slightly impaired and he seems to have forgotten all the English he ever knew, although he speaks it quite fluently during the fifty-eight years of his residence here.

ALUM CAUSES MUCH DISCUSSION IN SENATE.

Committee Recommended That Bill Removing Prohibition on Alum Be Passed—Action Deferred.

Jefferson City, Mo., Jan. 21.—Alum has a faculty of causing trouble in either branch of the General Assembly. Yesterday it made much oratory in the House and today it had an inning in the Senate when the Committee on Criminal Jurisprudence, of which Senator K. C. St. Louis is chairman, brought in a report recommending that the bill of Bradley of St. Francis striking out the word alum from the list of prohibited articles be passed.

Bradley asked that it be sent to engrossment immediately, as had been done in the House yesterday. Farris of Crawford immediately objected, claiming that the rules had only been adopted and that there was no right for engrossment. I shall light the bill when it comes to passage," he said, "but there is no need of establishing a precedent of suspending the rules on such a measure."

Senator Walker of Boone also asked for delay, saying that the bill would receive due consideration when it came up for passage. Rubey of Macon wanted immediate action, saying that he was in favor of attaching an emergency clause. When it became evident that the necessary two-thirds for suspension of the rules could not be obtained, Bradley of St. Francis withdrew his motion.

Immediately afterwards Bradley of St. Francis aroused a discussion regarding the rules, which he asked for further time to which to present amendments to the rules, compelling railroad companies to furnish transportation for their employees.

Senator Lee of Carter, chairman of the Committee on Agriculture, explained that the committee was in favor of the bill immediately, but that the author favored delay. Upon motion Bradley was allowed ten days in which to present his amendment. As the author of Senate bills Nos. 8 and 9, Bradley asked for five days in which to change them. He gave the number of bills aimed at corporations on the first day of the session.

Many New Bills in the House.

Jefferson City, Mo., Jan. 21.—There was another flood of new bills in the House this morning. The following were among the more important measures:

Another of St. Louis County: For the regulation of banks, exchanges, brokers and corporations engaged in selling bonds, certificates or contracts in local investments and receiving payments thereon in the installment plan. It provides that the money paid, in two or more installments, shall be held in trust until the full amount is paid, and failure to comply with the law incurs a penalty of \$100.

Mr. Hudson of St. Joseph: Increasing the salary of Circuit Judges to \$3,000 a year, and levying \$1,000 on the counties for the salaries of the judges of the circuit courts.

Mr. Maple of Christian: Providing for county bonds. The bill provides for the issuance of bonds to be named by the County Court. This bond is to be used for the purpose of raising money for the schools of each county.

Mr. McPherson of Missouri: Placing all railroads of forty miles length and more in class "A." The bill provides for the issuance of bonds to be named by the County Court.

Mr. Lockyer of Franklin: Revoking the license of insurance companies that take their business from the State to other States.

Mr. Duncan of St. Joseph: Amending the garnishment law so as to permit a garnishment of the wages of a person representing estate after debt was contracted for the necessities of life.

Mr. Williams of Scott: Fixing the State levy for the support of the State Prison at \$100 for 1903 and 2 cents for 1904.

Mr. Truacy of Greene: Prescribing as qualifications for the office of sheriff that "they must be householders and shall be able to read and write."

Mr. Davis of Barry: Separating the school money for white and negro schools and providing for negro directors for negro schools. The bill gives the school revenue paid by negro taxpayers to the negro schools and the revenue of the white taxpayers to the white schools.

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PROCEEDINGS IN THE SENATE.

Lee Appoints Two Committees—No Action on Judiciary and Marriage.

Jefferson City, Mo., Jan. 21.—The recommendations of the Senate Judiciary Committee are adopted. Senate bill No. 34, introduced by Senator Lee, which would enable all notaries public to perform marriage ceremonies. This bill will probably arouse much discussion on its merits, as the members are opposed to the measure. Bradley of Johnson tried to introduce an amendment pertaining to the bill, but it was not taken up.

Smith's bill defining newspapers qualified to publish legal notices was reported unfavorably and upon motion indefinitely postponed.

Lee of Carter, chairman of the Committee on Agriculture, reported a bill to establish a binding-twine factory be referred to the Appropriations Committee, as requested by the committee.

Lieutenant Governor Lee appointed Collins of Castillo, Richard Zevinsky and J. C. Smith as members of the committee to investigate labor conditions in the Penitentiary.

Rubey, Lee, Farris, Walker and Smith were appointed a committee to draft a game and fish law.

CLIFFORD MAY GET RAISE.

Bill Proposes Increased Salary for License Collector.

Jefferson City, Mo., Jan. 21.—Senator Kinealy came forward with a bill this morning to raise the salary of the License Collector of St. Louis to \$5,000, the same as the collector of the city of St. Louis. The bill is now receiving \$3,000. The bill also provides that the chief deputy shall receive \$2,000 instead of \$1,500, and the second assistant \$1,800 instead of \$1,500.

It is said that Senator Schoenlaub brought the bill to Jefferson City by request.

COAL INVESTIGATION ORDERED.

Kansas Legislature Passes a Joint Resolution.

Topeka, Kas., Jan. 21.—The Legislature today passed a joint resolution asking the Kansas delegation in Congress to pass the revised Edine Interstate commerce bill.

A joint resolution was passed today providing for a committee to investigate the coal famine and the Harper's Ferry operation in Kansas. The committee will go into the soft-coal fields to find the reason for the coal famine and the Harper's Ferry operation for increased prices and shortage in supply.

HOUSE SETTLES THE CONTEST.

Representatives Leonard and Collins Elected to Seats.

Jefferson City, Mo., Jan. 21.—The contest instituted by Farwell Walton, Republican, of St. Louis, for the representation of the Third District, was settled by the House today. Leonard and Collins, Democrats, were

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STOCK-YARDS BILL DISCUSSED.

Public Hearing Will Be Given Next Monday by House Committee.

Jefferson City, Mo., Jan. 21.—At a meeting of the House Stock Yards Committee this afternoon the committee on the bill for the regulation of the stock yards was held for discussion. This bill was introduced by Wallace of Rails and provides lower rates for stock in the yards.

Representatives Parkinson and Connor of St. Joseph presented the bill for the regulation of the stock yards of St. Joseph. Mr. Wallace asked that it be referred to the committee on the bill.

Finally the St. Joseph Representatives asked that a public hearing on the bill be held at St. Joseph on Monday, January 26, at 7 p. m.

TO ARRANGE FOR CELEBRATION.

Wiping Out of the State Debt to Be Fittingly Observed.

Jefferson City, Mo., Jan. 21.—Speaker Whitcomb today announced the following Democratic Caucus Committee to act with the House in the celebration of the wiping out of the State debt to the State.

Members: Conkling of Carroll, Oliver of Cape Girardeau, Thacker of St. Louis, Frewitt of Vernon and Davidson of Marion.

FRIENDS OF INSURANCE

BILLS ARE HARD AT WORK.

Captain Gallenle of St. Louis at Jefferson City to Represent the Merchants' Exchange at Hearing.

Jefferson City, Mo., Jan. 21.—Captain Frank Gallenle, representing the Merchants' Exchange of St. Louis, is in Jefferson City asking support for the three insurance bills which have been introduced at the request of the business associations in St. Louis, Kansas City and St. Joseph.

"I am simply here to ask for a public hearing on these bills," said Captain Gallenle. "We believe that they are just. The public hearing will be held next Wednesday. I am greatly disappointed at the attitude of Representative Conkling of the House Fire Insurance Committee, who says that only one speaker from each of the three largest cities will be heard."

"They are in the wrong," said Captain Gallenle. "The opponents of the bill, according to Mr. Conkling, will make their pleadings in executive session. They seem to be a great deal of misunderstanding concerning these bills, but it is all we can get the majority present to the bill. I think that there will be little difficulty in securing their passage. I realize that at present business men are opposed to the bill, but from members who have not studied the subject. However, the bills are right in my opinion."

Representative Conkling said this afternoon that he was opposed to the repeal of the valued policy law and the establishment of local boards.

"If the merchants in the cities would like to have the right to make private contracts with the companies," he said, "I can see no harm in passing a law to limit the value of the policy to \$10,000 or over. I was opposed to the other bills two years ago and now no reason why I should change my mind."

Representative Smith of Robertsonville, Franklin County, is a member from the country who is in favor of all three of the bills which have been presented by the merchants' association of St. Louis.

"I think that a great deal of the opposition comes from a misunderstanding of the bills," he said.

"It is folly for business men to be clamoring for the repeal of the valued policy law, who are after business, to be compelled to refuse to give it to them. No business man's action of the kind is a law for a good purpose, but it has overshot the mark in a way which has become a matter for speculation. This danger has made the companies raise the rates. It is not the honest men whom the companies fear, but the dishonest element. Since the passage of the valued-policy law, fires have increased. I think the law is responsible for it in great measure."

"At the same time the companies were to blame for the passage of the law. They nagged the men whom they had insured by refusing to adjust losses on a fair basis. It was a grievance which the people tried to correct by the passage of the law."

Chairman Dowell of the Senate committee has called a meeting for a public hearing on the bills at St. Louis on Wednesday. The arrangements with the House committee have not been made. There is little doubt that they will get together.

Florida.

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THIRTY YEARS' SENTENCE IN WILCOX MURDER CASE.

Prisoner Is Accused of Killing Miss Ella Cropper at Elizabeth City, N. C., in 1901.

Hartford, N. C., Jan. 21.—After being out for twenty-four hours the jury in the Wilcox murder case this afternoon returned a verdict of murder in the second degree and the defendant was sentenced to the Penitentiary for thirty years, the full limit of the law.

Wilcox's attorneys gave notice of appeal to the Supreme Court. The prisoner will be returned to the jail at Elizabeth City, where his alleged crime was committed.

The crime for which James B. Wilcox was found guilty was committed at Elizabeth City, N. C., on December 20, 1901. He had called at the home of Ella Cropper and when leaving at 11 o'clock called the girl out into the hall.

This was the last of her alive. Her body was found in the river 300 yards from her home thirty-seven days later and a slight bruise was found on her head, which had been beaten into insensibility and thrown into the stream.

The evidence against Wilcox was circumstantial. He was convicted of murder in the second degree at the first hearing last March in Elizabeth City, but a new trial was granted and the case was moved to an adjoining county.

BARK GOES TO PIECES AND FOUR OF CREW ARE MISSING.

One of the Five Men Rescued Is Dead and the Survivors Are Unconscious From Exposure.

Atlantic City, N. J., Jan. 21.—The bark Abel Abbott, salt laden, from Turk's Island for New York, went aground near Ship Bottom light last night and is fast going to pieces. Five of her crew of nine men were picked to-day by life-boats. But a new trial was granted and the case was moved to an adjoining county.

When the bark struck the strain caused one of her masts to fall, and it is thought that four of her crew were either killed by the wreckage or stunned and fell overboard and were drowned.

One of the men of the Abbott died of exposure this afternoon in the Ship Bottom station. The other four were unconscious and their condition is critical.

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TEXAS WORLD'S FAIR COMMISSION MEETS

Constitution of State Gives Legislature Right to Appropriation Exhibit Fund.

AUTHORIZES CITY OWNERSHIP.

Street Railway Bill Introduced in Illinois Senate.

Springfield, Ill., Jan. 21.—Carl Mueller of Cook County introduced in the Senate to-day a bill authorizing the State to own and operate street railways. The measure provides that every city "shall have the power to own, construct, acquire, purchase, maintain and operate street railways which have been introduced at the request of the city and to lease the same to any company incorporated under